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In re Patent Application of:  
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For: METHOD FOR TREATING PAPERMAKING  
WASTE WATER, AND METHODS OF USING  
SILICA SOL IN PAPERMAKING

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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

In response to the Office Action dated August 22, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Drawings** begin on page 4 of this paper and include an attached replacement sheet.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 5 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 12 of this paper.